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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY,  
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Subject: Psychological Warfare

Forwarded for the consideration of the National Security Council are the views (SANA-804/14) of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on SANA-804/6 which are concurred in by the SANA-804/14.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have considered SANA-804/6 and it is the opinion of the Joint Chiefs of Staff that from the military point of view:

"a. The national security will be adversely affected if a working nucleus for the planning and coordination of psychological warfare is not brought into existence prior to war (or threat of war as determined by the President);

"b. The effect of the recommendations in SANA-804/6, as approved by the State-Army-Navy-Air Force Coordinating Committee, would be to postpone, to a dangerously late date, the establishment of a psychological warfare organization; and,

"c. There should be established, as soon as practicable, under the National Security Council, a Psychological Warfare Organization, but with its peacetime scope and activities limited to that of a working nucleus for planning and coordination.

"Accordingly, the Joint Chiefs of Staff recommend that the pertinent Conclusions and Recommendations of SANA-804/6 be amended in the light of the above comments."

In this connection there is enclosed a copy of SANA-804/6 as approved by SANA-804/14 prior to receipt of the JCS views referred to above. Also enclosed for the information of the Council is a copy of SANA-804/12, approved by the Committee as a possible basis for further planning.

For the State-Army-Navy-Air Force Coordinating Committee:

H. W. K. SMITH,  
Secretary

ENCLOSURES:

Copy No. 93, SANA-804/6  
Copy No. 93, SANA-804/12  
Copy No. 93, SANA-804/14

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